GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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Casual Announcers and Comperers
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether All India Radio (AIR) engaged casual announcers and comperers for its Headquarters and Regional offices, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether these announcers and comperers are trained in speech skills, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether such trained and experienced announcers and camperers have been engaged on full time basis service for the last ten years, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the Government proposes to engage such trained casual announcers and comperers in the full time basis/service, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING [COL RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE (Retd.)]

(a) to (c) All India Radio engages casual broadcasters as per exigencies of programmes at different Stations across the country. These casual broadcasters can be given a maximum of six bookings in a month or 72 in a year. They do not fall in the category of the regular staff of All India Radio. Their engagement is done on the basis of audition test as per the established procedure and the panels thus drawn are revised occasionally to help the Station management to retain the best and weed out those who do not perform to the satisfaction of the organisation.

(d) No, Madam.

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